GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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SETTING UP OF AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION CENTRES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Agricultural Technology Information Centres set up in the country, particularly in Gujarat, District-wise;

(b) the details of expenditure incurred by the Government during the last three years for the purpose; and

(c) the action taken by the Government to impart training to farmers in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has sanctioned establishment of 40 Agricultural Technology Information Centres (ATIC) with the State Agricultural Universities and ICAR Institutes, including one in Gujarat at Gujarat Agricultural University Sardar Krushi Nagar, district Banaskantha.

(b) During the last three years (1999-2000 to 2001-2002) Rs. 11.78 crores were released by the Council for the purpose.

(c) The Council has established 261 Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVK) in the country.During the last one year 4.18 lakh farmers including farmwomen and rural youths have been trained by the KVKs.